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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: N. Tran
KATSUMI AZUSAWA, ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: 2615
Application No.: 09/356,692)
: Filed: July 20, 1999)
: For: PICKUP DEVICE APPARATUS)
: INCLUDING VIBRATION)
: CORRECTION MEANS)
: (AS AMENDED))
: November 3, 2003
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 2, 2003, for three months from August 5, 2003, to November 5, 2003.

The present Petition for Extension of Time is being filed to maintain the pendency of the subject application concurrent with the filing of a new Rule 53(b) continuation application.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$950.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this petition is enclosed.

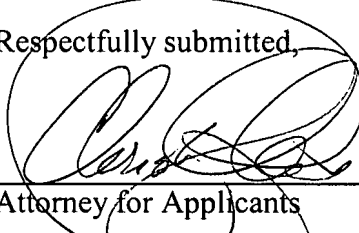
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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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